

or fund otherwise available to any Federal agency for which appropriations are contained in this Act shall be used to pay the compensation of any officer or employee of the Government of the United States or of any agency the majority of the stock of which is owned by the Government of the United States, whose post of duty is in continental United States, unless such person is a citizen of the United States or a person in the service of the United States on the date of the approval of this Act who being eligible for citizenship had theretofore filed a declaration of intention to become a citizen or who owes allegiance to the United States: *Provided*, That not to exceed ten positions in the Library of Congress may be exempt from the provisions of this section, but the Librarian shall not make any appointment to any such position until he has ascertained that he cannot secure for such appointment a person in any of the three categories hereinbefore specified in this section who possesses the special qualifications for the particular position and also otherwise meets the general requirements for employment in the Library of Congress. This section shall not apply to citizens of the Commonwealth of the Philippines.

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SEC. 7. That hereafter in case of the death, resignation, separation from office, or disability of the Clerk of the House of Representatives, the accounts of such Clerk may be continued and payments made in his name by the disbursing clerk of the House of Representatives for a period extending not beyond the quarterly period during which a new Clerk of the House of Representatives shall have been elected and qualified. Such accounts and payments shall be allowed, audited, and settled in the General Accounting Office, and the checks signed in the name of the former Clerk of the House of Representatives shall be honored by the Treasurer of the United States, in the same manner as if such former Clerk had continued in office. The former Clerk, his estate, or the sureties on his official bond, shall not be subject to any legal liability or penalty for the official acts and defaults of such disbursing clerk acting in the name or in the place of such former Clerk under this section, but such disbursing clerk and his sureties shall be responsible therefor under their bond. The bond for the disbursing clerk of the House of Representatives shall be in the same amount as the bond required of the Clerk of the House of Representatives. The Secretary of the Treasury may, from time to time, require such disbursing clerk to renew his bond to the United States.

SEC. 8. This Act may be cited as the "Legislative Branch Appropriation Act, 1943".

Approved, June 8, 1942.

[CHAPTER 402]

AN ACT

To increase the rate of pension to World War veterans from \$30 to \$40 per month and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That paragraph I (f), part III, Veterans Regulation Numbered 1 (a), as amended, is hereby amended to read:

"I (f) The amount of pension payable under the terms of part III shall be \$40 monthly: *Provided, That—*".

Approved, June 10, 1942.

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[Public Law 601]

War veterans.
Increase in pension
rate.
38 U. S. C., ch. 12
note.